

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowance of Claims 10-12, 14-24 and 27.

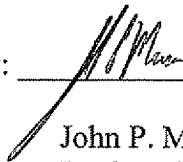
Claims 25 and 26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as his invention. In response, Claim 25 has been amended herein (as suggested by the Examiner) to delete the term "highly" preceding the "conductive contact layer." Thus, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections of Claims 25 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph be withdrawn.

Previously added Claim 28 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,203,936 to Cisar et al. Applicant has canceled Claim 28 herein rendering the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) moot.

In view of the above, Claims 10-12 and 14-27 are now pending and are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is hereby requested in due course. Note, the commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees due in connection with this paper, including the fees specified in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 (c), 1.17(a)(1) and 1.20(d), or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

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